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The Honorable Shirley Johnson, Chair
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Michigan State Senate
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The Honorable Scott Shackleton, Chair
House Appropriations Subcommittee
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Michigan House of Representatives
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Dear Senator Johnson and Representative Shackleton:

In accordance with Section 376 of P.A. 361 of 2004, the Michigan Department of Transportation is pleased to provide an update regarding the 17 reinstated Capacity Increase and New Road (CI&NR) projects.

While it is important to note the status of the reinstated projects, it is also important to note that project activities continue for many of the projects that remain deferred. When the difficult decision was initially made to delay the development of these critical projects so that additional funding could be made available for necessary trunkline preservation work, many of these projects were in the midst of pre-construction project phases. At that time I directed department staff to complete on-going project phases to allow the department to pause activities at a logical point in project development.

I hope you find the enclosed information useful.

Sincerely,


Gloria J. Jeff
Director

Enclosure

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**FY 2005
MDOT Reinstated Projects
Legislative Update**

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INTRODUCTION:

This briefing provides an update on the status of the seventeen Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) projects which were reinstated in the fall of 2003. This brief has been prepared in accordance with Section 376 of P.A. 361 of 2004. All cost and project status information is current as of October 1, 2004. For each project, the following information has been provided.

Reinstated Projects Key:

- **Active Phase(s):** Provides an update of the current activities which are underway and expected completion date of that phase(s).
- **Reinstated amount:** Identifies the amount of funding reinstated towards the project in the fall of 2003.
- **Reinstated phases:** Identifies the phase toward which the aforementioned funds were reinstated.
- **Project committed through:** Identifies the phase which MDOT has committed to complete.
- **Deferred phase(s) status:** If a project has remaining deferred phases, a reference has also been included.

Phase Definitions:

Early Preliminary Engineering (EPE): Early Preliminary engineering is generally considered the environmental clearance phase. However, in certain instances the department may elect to complete a feasibility study as a precursor to environmental clearance. EPE will also include a portion of the necessary design to help in the evaluation of alternatives and identification of impacts.

Preliminary engineering (PE): Preliminary engineering is defined as the design phase. Early design is utilized to determine impacts and the necessary ROW to construct the project. Final design includes the completion of project plans necessary for the project letting.

Right-of-Way Acquisition (ROW): The acquisition of the necessary property to construct the project.

Construction: The physical construction of the project.

MDOT REINSTATED PROJECTS UPDATE

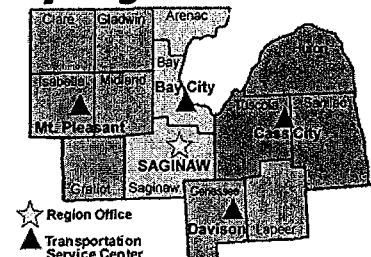
BAY REGION:

- Project:** **M-84, north of Pierce Road to south of Delta Road, Bay & Saginaw Counties**
- **Active Phase(s):** Design has been completed and ROW acquisition is on-going for the reconstruction and widening from a 2-lane to 4-lane boulevard. Construction is scheduled for completion in November 2005.
 - **Reinstated amount:** ROW and construction were reinstated for \$13 million.
 - **Reinstated phases:** ROW acquisition and construction
 - **Project committed through:** Construction

- Project:** **M-24, from Pratt Road to I-69, Lapeer County**
J.N. 55908
- **Active Phase(s):** The design phase is underway, and is scheduled to be completed in November 2005. Construction will begin following the acquisition of the necessary ROW. The letting is expected in early 2006. This project will reconstruct and widen this portion of M-24 from a 2-lane to 4-lane boulevard.
 - **Reinstated amount:** ROW and construction were reinstated for \$25 million.
 - **Reinstated phases:** ROW acquisition and construction
 - **Project committed through:** Construction

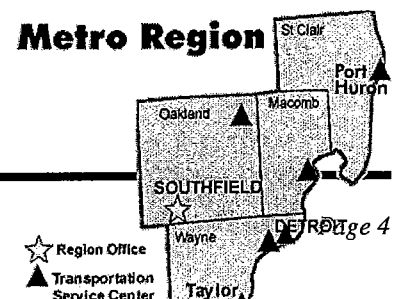
- Project:** **US-127 North of St. John's to Ithaca, Clinton and Gratiot Counties**
J.N. 46269
- **Active Phase(s):** Re-evaluation of the previously approved Environmental Impact Statement and design activities to the point of final right-of-way plans are underway and scheduled for completion in 2005.
 - **Reinstated amount:** Re-evaluation of the EIS and partial design phases were reinstated for \$1.25 million.
 - **Reinstated phases:** Partial design (The commitment was to complete design to the point of having final ROW plans)
 - **Deferred Phase(s):** The remaining design activities and the partial acquisition of right-of-way are being deferred to a future Five-Year Program.

Bay Region



METRO REGION:

- Project:** **I-75/I-96, Ambassador Bridge Gateway Project, Detroit**
- J.N. 37795
60076
60077
60130
76501
- **Active Phase(s):** Construction of this project will occur over 4 construction contracts. The first 2 construction contracts have been let and are under construction. Contracts #3 and #4 are in the design and ROW acquisition phases. Construction of contract # 3 has been delayed due to coordination issues with the Canadian Pacific and Conrail railroad companies. The final two project lettings will occur in FY 2005, with construction underway through 2007.
 - **Reinstated amount:** \$45 million was reinstated in 2003.
 - **Reinstated phases:** ROW acquisition and construction
 - **Project committed through:** Construction
- Project:** **M-53 Interchange, Van Dyke to M-53, City of Sterling Heights, Macomb County**
- J.N. 47197
- **Active Phase(s):** Construction of new interchange ramps to a local widening of 18-1/2 Mile Road is underway and scheduled for completion in November 2004.
 - **Reinstated amount:** Construction was reinstated for \$10.4 million.
 - **Reinstated phases:** Construction
 - **Project committed through:** Construction
- Project:** **I-96, at Beck Road, Novi**
- J.N. 60074
60082
- **Active Phase(s):** Construction is underway. The bridge portion of the project is scheduled for completion in November 2004. The interchange ramps and the improvements to the intersection of Beck Road and Grand River Avenue is scheduled to be completed in November 2005.
 - **Reinstated amount:** Construction was reinstated for \$46 million.
 - **Reinstated phases:** ROW acquisition and construction
 - **Project committed through:** Construction
- Project:** **I-696 at Franklin Road, Southfield**
- J.N. 54301
54303
- **Active Phase(s):** EPE is currently being completed by the City of Southfield. The City will complete design and ROW acquisition following completion of the environmental clearance phase. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2006, contingent upon the City of Southfield completing the EPE phase.
 - **Reinstated amount:** Construction was reinstated for \$20.45 million.
 - **Reinstated phases:** Construction
 - **Project committed through:** Construction
- Project:** **M-59 at Adams Road, Rochester Hills**
- J.N. 77200
77201
- **Active Phase(s):** Construction of this project has begun and is expected to be completed in 2005
 - **Reinstated amount:** Construction was reinstated for \$18 million.
 - **Reinstated phases:** Right-of-way acquisition and construction
 - **Project committed through:** Construction



Project:

J.N. 49565

I-75, at Crooks Road and Long Lake Road, Troy

- **Active Phase(s):** Design has been delayed in light of FHWA's request for environmental re-evaluation. If MDOT must complete an Environmental Assessment, this will result in further schedule delays. MDOT anticipates that if required, an Environmental Assessment would not be completed until 2006. The City of Troy is responsible for providing all necessary ROW for this project.
- **Reinstated amount:** The design phase was reinstated for \$4 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Design (Right-of-way acquisition will be provided locally)
- **Project committed through:** Design. (Construction funding will be identified in a future Five Year Program, contingent upon the City providing all necessary ROW and resolution of local issues).

GRAND REGION:

Project:

J.N. 46274

I-196 at Chicago Drive, Grand Rapids

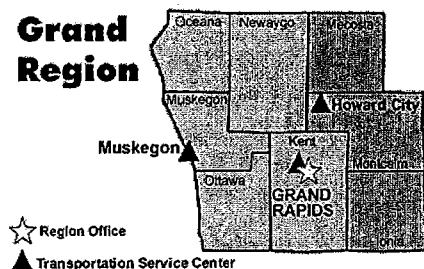
- **Active Phase(s):** Early preliminary engineering. Environmental clearance will be completed in 2005. Design is scheduled to begin in 2006.
- **Reinstated amount:** Design was reinstated for \$2.5 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Design
- **Project committed through:** Construction
- **Deferred Phase(s):** Right-of-way acquisition and construction have been deferred to a future Five-Year Program.

Project:

J.N. 45271

I-96 at 36th Street, Grand Rapids

- **Active Phase(s):** Design has begun and will be complete in 2005. ROW acquisition has begun and will continue into 2005. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2005 and continue through 2006.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$20.4 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Design, ROW, and construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction



NORTH REGION:

Project:

J.N. 58344

M-42, from old US-131 to new US-131, Manton

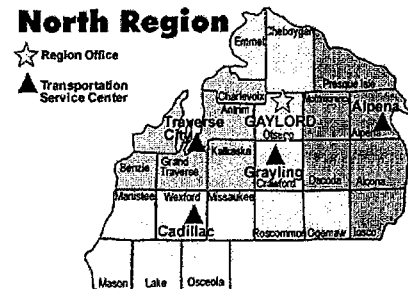
- **Active Phase(s):** Design & Right-of-way acquisition are complete. Construction is underway and is scheduled for completion in late-2004.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$1.3 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** ROW, and construction
- **Project committed through:** Construction

Project:

J.N. 52688

M-72, US-31 to Arnold Road, Traverse City

- **Active Phase(s):** A feasibility study between US-31 and Lautner Road has begun and will continue into 2005.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$100,000
- **Reinstated phases:** Early Preliminary Engineering (feasibility only)
- **Project committed through:** Early Preliminary Engineering



SOUTHWEST REGION:

Project:

J.N. 46269

US-131, State Line to Lockport Twp., St. Joseph County

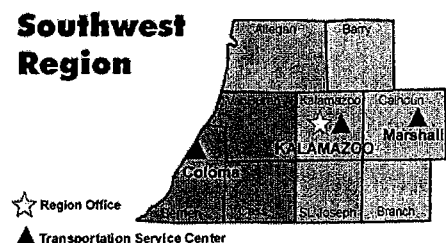
- **Active Phase(s):** Early Preliminary Engineering was reinstated to develop a fifth alternative. The draft EIS is scheduled to be complete in early 2005.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$1 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Early Preliminary Engineering
- **Project committed through:** EPE is committed for the entire corridor. Design and right-of-way acquisition activities are committed for the Constantine by-pass segment only. However, this is dependent on the selected alternative resulting from the environmental clearance phase.
- **Deferred Phase(s):** Partial design and ROW acquisition have been deferred to a future Five-Year Program (dependent upon selected alternative).

Project:

J.N. 49719

US-31, Napier to I-94, Berrien County

- **Active Phase(s):** Environmental clearance was obtained from FHWA in 2004. The Design phase has begun and will continue through 2006. ROW acquisition is currently underway and will continue through 2007.
- **Reinstated amount:** \$11.5 million.
- **Reinstated phases:** Design, and partial ROW acquisition
- **Project committed through:** Construction
- **Deferred Phase(s):** The construction phase of this project has been deferred to a future Five-Year Program.



US-2, Washington to Michigan Ave. in Iron Mountain

- ## Superior Region



M-59, I-96 to US-23, Livingston County

- J.N. 55918**
48762

University Region

